

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, this response is a timely response because this response is a non-final amendment being sent within one month from the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mail date of January 18, 2008. Accordingly, no additional fees are anticipated.

This is intended to be a full and complete response to the Office Action dated October 10, 2007.

Claims 4-20 are pending. Claims 4 and 19 are amended. Claims 1-3 are canceled without prejudice.

Claims 4 and 19 have been amended merely to remove informalities. Claims 4 and 19 were not amended in order to address issues of patentability and Applicants respectfully reserve all rights they may have under the Doctrine of Equivalents.

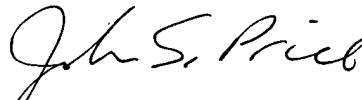
The Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 4-20 are allowed.

Since claims 1-3 are cancelled and the remaining claims 4-20 are allowed, it is respectfully submitted that there are no more outstanding issues remaining in this application to prevent allowance of this application. A Notice of Allowance of the present application is respectfully requested.

In addition, Applicants deny any statement, position or averment of the Examiner that is not specifically addressed by the foregoing argument and response. Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. However, the Applicants reserve the right to submit further arguments in support of the above-stated

position, should that become necessary. No arguments are waived and none of the Examiner's assertions are conceded. Although no fees are anticipated, in case of any deficiencies in fees occasioned by the filing of the present amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such deficiencies in fees to Deposit Account Number 01-0035.

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